

USF Board of Trustees – ACE Committee

Tuesday, February 23, 2021

Microsoft Teams Meeting

Unofficial Meeting Notes

I. Call to Order and Comments Chair Charles Tokarz

Chair Charles Tokarz welcomed and thanked those in attendance at 10:15 am, and called the meeting to order with a quorum confirmed by Vice President and Assistant Corporate Secretary Dr. Cindy Visot with the following committee members present:

The following Trustees present:

Trustee Charles Tokarz

Trustee Tim Boaz

Trustee Claire Mitchell

Trustee Oscar Horton

Trustee Les Muma

Trustee Melissa Seixas

II. Public Comments Subject to USF Procedure

Chair Tokarz confirmed with Dr. Visot there were no requests for public comment.

III. New Business – Action Items

a. Approval of November 10, 2020 Meeting Minutes

Chair Tokarz asked the committee if any edits needed to be made to the minutes and the committee confirmed there were none. A motion for approval was made with an immediate second and was approved unanimously by the committee.

b. Approval of Tenure as a Condition of Employment

Sr. Vice Provost Dwayne Smith presented two candidates and their qualifications alongside a brief biography: William (Monty) Graham, PhD for the college of Arts and Sciences and George Boustrous, PhD, mSc, BEng for

the college of Public Health for approval of tenure as a condition of their employment.

A motion for approval was proposed and both candidates were approved unanimously by the committee.

c. Approval of the B.S. in Environmental Engineering

Chair Tokarz asked Dean Robert Bishop to discuss the new degree being proposed.

Dean Bishop began by introducing the degree and having the Trustees investigate the components within the degree. He began discussing the course load and necessity of this new degree as a part of the College of Engineering. Alongside the benefits of what this degree could bring to the University and the Tampa Bay area.

After the detailed presentation, a motion of approval was proposed, and approval of the new degree was unanimous by the committee.

Chair Tokarz thanked Dean Robert Bishop for the extensive research.

d. Approval of 2015-2025 Master Plan

Chair Tokarz asked CFO Nick Trivunovich and Interim VP Chris Duffy to present the next item.

CFO Nick Trivunovich introduced the Master Plan for 2015-2025.

Key Components to the Master Plan:

- A site location changes for both the Wellness Center Complex and Indoor Performance Facility
- The inclusion of the Environmental & Oceanographic Sciences Research & Teaching Facility and the removal of Facility Purchase
- An informational update on land acquisition from Manatee County

CFO Nick Trivunovich explained how the new updates to the Master Plan did not have a financial impact to the current Plan.

With no questions from the Trustees, the committee motioned for approval and unanimously agreed on the updates.

IV. New Business – Information Items

a. Black Undergraduate Student Enrollment Initiative

Chair Tokarz presented the next item to the trustees and introduced Dr. Paul Dosal, Mr. Anddrikk Frazier and Dr. Lincoln Chandler.

Discussion occurred around the strategic plan to develop innovative programs and practices to build, enhance, and expand the pipeline of black students from high schools and community colleges in the six-county Tampa Bay area to the University of South Florida.

By June 1, 2021, the committee plans to develop a set of action steps that USF and its partners in the region can take to boost black student enrollment.

b. USF Health & Wellness Support Services Overview

Chair Tokarz asked Dr. Patricia Helton to present the next it and to discuss updates on COVID-19 and activities that the areas implemented.

Dr. Helton began by emphasizing the extraordinary challenges COVID-19 had on the health and well-being of all members of the USF community.

Health & Wellness service providers on all campuses were intrigued to respond to increasing demand for their services using new technologies and techniques.

In this presentation, Health & Wellness representatives discussed how teams responded to these challenges, the lessons they have learned, and how they might adopt and sustain some of the best practices in the post-COVID-19 environment.

Chair Tokarz thanked Dr. Helton and their team for their continuous work and dedication to make USF a safe and efficient environment for faculty and students.

V. Adjournment

With no further business, Chair Tokarz thanked the trustees for their time and the meeting was adjourned.